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Sir:

This Reply is filed responsive to the Office Action mailed in this matter on October 13, 2006. In conjunction with this Reply, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as shown below. In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.121, amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this Reply, amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this Reply, and a replacement sheet of drawings is attached to the end of this Reply.